KA'AAHI





The COVID-19 Temporary Quarantine & Isolation Center (TQIC)

April 23, 2020

The Hawai'i State Department of Health and the City and County of Honolulu partnered and established the TQIC in Iwilei for homeless individuals on O'ahu who are impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. This facility opened on April 1, 2020.

The center, located on City property, provides housing, food, and hygiene facilities for up to 52 homeless persons who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, are medically fragile, awaiting results, or test positive for the virus. The facility is staffed by doctors, registered nurses, medical assistants, and other healthcare professionals.

Glossary

- ♦ DOH: Department of Health
- ♦ HHHRC: Hawai'i Health and Harm Reduction Center
- ◆ C&C: City and County of Honolulu
- ◆ IHS: Institute for Human Services
- ◆ H4: Hawai'i Homeless Healthcare Hui
- ◆ CARES: Coordinated Access Resource Entry System
- ♦ Local 5: Local 5 Union

IHS

(case management and discharge planning)

H4

(provides on-site medical care, support, and intake)

KA'AAHI OPERATIONS

CARES

(coordinates

referrals)

Services Available 24/7

DOH

(oversight of all entities)

Medical Director (HHHRC)

(Oversees medical activities)

C&C

(facility support)

Local 5

(housekeeping and meal support)

Community Referrals can be made through CARES: 808.832.3100

Medical Referrals can be made by calling 808.683.5484

For more admission and referral information, visit:

health.hawaii.gov/bhhsurg/

"We have an opportunity to flatten the curve in Hawai'i... We are stepping up efforts to give homeless individuals the care and services they need to stay healthy, safely physically distance themselves, and receive medical attention if they do contract COVID-19 in an effort to slow the spread of the virus in our community."

- Mayor Kirk Caldwell

This initiative is part of the State's 3-pronged approach to addressing the COVID-19 outbreak in Hawai'i



The 26 unit facility at Ka'aahi Street is a partnership between the government, philanthropy, and nonprofit communities designed to help 'flatten the curve' in Hawai'i.

- To Increase testing for COVID-19, with a focus on individuals experiencing symptoms & those who work or are in vulnerable communities.
- To Adopt a strategic and proactive approach to quarantining, with a focus on kūpuna, homeless individuals, and other groups that may be vulnerable.
- To Implement strong government directives to self-isolate and practice physical distancing.